

**Andrew Jackson to Andrew Jackson, Jr., May 16, 1834,  
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**TO ANDREW JACKSON, JR.**

Washington, May 16, 1834.

*Dear Andrew,* I am without advices from you since yours of the 18th ultimo. You must necessarily suppose that I must have great anxiety to hear whether my letters had reached you, and whether Col White had remitted you the proceeds of our cotton and what sum you would draw upon me for to close the first payment of the land to Mr. Hill, and still more anxious to hear of sarah's and the sweet little childrens health with the ballance of the family—five minutes in a week would yield to me this gratification, but I find writing to me is onerous, therefore, having so often made known to you how gratified I would be to hear from you and the health of the family, I shall for the future leave you on this subject, to your own inclination.

I learn thro the news papers and other channels, that all our cotton in Tennessee has been destroyed by frost on the night of the 28th of april. I hope your overseer has forthwith ran a coulter along side of the cotton and replanted the whole, I hope you had seed anough for this purpose. It would have been a much better mode to have insured a stand than plowing up and planting again, because it would give you all the first planting that escaped the frost and with the replanting a full stand. my old negroes knew this was always the plan adopted by me and I hope you have also adopted it, if you have you will have insured a full crop, otherwise, I fear you will fail. I will be glad to hear from you in reply to my former letters. . . . .